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William T Fujioka

Chief Executive Officer

SEAMLESS SENIOR SERVICES INITIATIVE

Los Angeles County has the highest concentration of seniors in California. According to the California Department of Aging, the elderly population in California is projected to substantially increase over the next 20 years. The service needs of our seniors will require substantial consideration and resources. The County is taking the first steps to become better prepared and proactive in addressing the future needs of its seniors. Perhaps at no other time in history are public agencies going to be asked to make the most of their resources and to demonstrate effectiveness, quality of services, and efficiency more than they are today. A preliminary inventory of services available to our seniors shows that over 20 County departments currently provide those services.

It is time to connect all County departments serving our seniors and eliminate the fragmentation of services. We must join in a collaborative effort to identify all existing programs and resources to create a seamless services delivery model. I have asked Cynthia Banks, Director of Community and Senior Services, to lead this effort.

Please take a moment to identify the appropriate designee in your department to join Cynthia Banks and Miguel Santana, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Children and Families Well-Being, for the kick-off meeting on Monday, April 28, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. in Room 739 at the Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration

Please have your designee contact Rosemary Gutierrez at (213) 974-0564 or rgutierrez@ceo.lacounty.gov by Wednesday, April 16, 2008 to confirm participation. This will ensure that an agenda and introductory packet of information reaches your designee prior to the meeting. If you or your designee have any questions or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact Ms. Gutierrez.

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Seamless Senior Services Initiative